

# AUBURN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## REFLECTIONS by Tripp Martin

It was said that around five thousand people gathered there on the hill, but all they had to eat were five loaves of bread and two small fish. It was hardly enough for a small group of people, let alone this large crowd, but Jesus felt compassion for them, so he blessed the food and passed it around, along with the grace of God. As the grace of God tends to be, it was enough for everyone.

Each Tuesday morning, we take a small amount of food and serve about sixteen plates at the church, which are then delivered by the Salvation Army to residents in Auburn, who need support due to age and ability. The food is plated by the hands of the church, using the grace and compassion of God. Over the course of a year, it spreads out immensely, like the feast Jesus served to the crowd of five thousand or more.

For our Loaves and Fishes ministry, Sunday School classes or groups within the church sign up for certain months throughout the year. In the past, we have been able to cover all of the weeks throughout the year in this way. Some classes are now unable to participate due to the limitations of age, while other classes have been able to take on extra weeks, but due to this transition, we still have some weeks in need of volunteers.



We need church members to sign up for the Tuesdays in October. Individuals can team up with others and sign up for a particular Tuesday, or two. Church members can also give financially to Loaves and Fishes, knowing that they cannot come on Tuesday morning to plate the food because of their work schedule; but we can find others, who are willing to simply come and plate the food that has been purchased. There are various ways to support and participate in this valuable ministry.

If you are willing to help in some way, please email the church office at [auburnfbc@mindspring.com](mailto:auburnfbc@mindspring.com). We are thankful for Teresa Vest, who coordinates this ministry, and if you have any questions,

you can contact her as well. Together, we will continue to reach in out in compassion and to offer food each week, as we serve the community around us.

-Tripp

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**Our Mission:** Believing the Spirit of God is alive in each one of us and in the world, we affirm that the mission of Auburn First Baptist Church is: to glorify God as the Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of life; to call all people to God through Christ as Savior and Lord; to enable all people to be more like Jesus.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### Senior Adult Luceon

*Tuesday, August 16th, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall*

### Deacons' Meeting

*Tuesday, August 16th, 6:30 p.m., Seekers' Classroom*

### Brotherhood Breakfast

*Sunday, August 21st, 8:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall*

### Children's Committee Meeting

*Sunday, August 21st, 12:00 p.m., Library*

### Dayfriends Resumes

*Tuesday, August 23rd, 11:45 a.m., Moe's BBQ*

### Senior Adult Dinner Out

*Wednesday, August 24th, 5:00 p.m., Good Ol' Boys*

## Thursday Evening Activities

*5:15 p.m. Brown Bag Meal Time*

*6:00 p.m. Bible Study*

### August 18: Brazil Mission Team Report

(Members of the Brazil Mission Team will speak about their trip to Recife.)

### August 25: James Blay

#### Special Guest

James Blay is from Liberia and is a graduate of the McAfee School of Theology. When James came from Liberia, he had worked at the Ricks Institute, and now upon graduation, he is returning to work there again. Ricks is a school started by Baptists, but it was partially destroyed during the Civil War in Liberia. It provides a quality education for children who need it. James is coming to share his story as well as the work of the Ricks Institute. He has several connections to Auburn First Baptist because he has worked at Passport for years.

## Sunday Evening Adult Activities

### Connecting Faith and Family

*Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Fishers' classroom*

Discussion and support about parenting and personal spiritual growth.

### Fall Bible Study

*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall*

The Book of Ruth, Led by Tripp Martin

We will discuss the story of Ruth, and how her story helps us understand the story of the people of God and the ways in which we discover God at work. The short story of Ruth speaks of struggle and faithfulness, commitment and redemption. It deals with life in real terms without reducing faith to something that is simplistic. In the story of Ruth, faith is the unexpected journey, the endurance of devotion, and the surprise of grace. We will also discover what the story of Ruth says about the history of Israel and the broader story of the Old Testament in addition to the hope of Jesus the Christ.

The Fishers' Sunday School Class  
invites

All Senior Adults to a Fish Fry  
11 o'clock, August 16th, 2016  
Fellowship Hall

*What is a senior adult? Age 50 and up?  
55 and up? If the shoe fits, wear it!*

## Driggers Tailgate Thursday!

**Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 – 6:30 p.m.**

**Fellowship Hall**

Let's welcome the Driggers with a Tailgate! The church will provide chicken, rolls, and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We invite the church families to bring the Driggers a gift card if you wish. Don't forget to wear your Auburn orange and blue!

## REACH

REACH is a Respite Care Ministry for the community, which is located at AUMC. The last session of the summer will be August 16 from 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. with lunch provided. The cost is \$30 and is for persons with early to moderate memory issues. Please contact Rev. Julie Hare at 334-826-8800 ext. 232 or [julie.hare@aumc.net](mailto:julie.hare@aumc.net) with questions or to sign up.

## REACH Respite Volunteer Training Day

*Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>*

*10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Auburn UMC*

If you would like to attend the (free) training to become a REACH Respite Program Volunteer, please contact Julie Hare at [Julie.Hare@aumc.net](mailto:Julie.Hare@aumc.net) or 334.826.8800, ext. 232.



**Thursday Nights**  
5:15 p.m. Brown Bag  
5:45 Youth Hang Out

**Youth Choir**

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Choir Room

**Youth Sunday Nights**

Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Youth Room

**Looking Ahead...**

**September 9th - 5th Quarter**



**Bible Study & Breakfast**

*Sundays, 9:45 a.m., College Room*

**College Tuesday Night Bible Study**

*7:00 p.m., Activities Building*

**Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.**



Whether you are coming to Auburn as a first time student or coming back for a new semester, we want to welcome you. Come meet new friends and experience what it means to be welcomed into this place.

Enjoy games, the Auburn University Challenge Course, devotions, eating together, and more.

Cost includes all meals, ropes course fees, and t-shirt.  
Register at [www.auburnfbc.org](http://www.auburnfbc.org)

**Nursing Room Reminder**

The church offers a comfortable and safe place for breastfeeding and pumping mothers. The Bride's Room has been designated as a "Breastfeeding Room". Located just outside the Fellowship Hall, and downstairs from the Sanctuary; it has comfortable chairs, a bathroom, and a door that locks.

**College Ministry**

**Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study**

Fall semester classes begin at Auburn University on Tuesday, August 16. Tuesday Night Bible Study at AFBC begins that night! Please support our college ministry by providing a meal for our students. Help us welcome students to our church and invest in their lives by signing up to bring supper this semester. Sign up as an individual or team up with someone else. Thank you!

*If you are interested in preparing a home cooked meal for our College Tuesday Night Bible Study this fall, please email Laura at [lauraedgar@mindspring.com](mailto:lauraedgar@mindspring.com) or contact the church office at 334-887-8506.*



**Sunday Evening Children's Activities**

**Older Children's Choir(3rd-5th graders)**  
*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building*

**Younger Children's Choir (K-2nd graders)**  
*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building*

**Preschool Music Makers(2\* year olds – Pre-K)**  
*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building*  
\*We ask that all attendees be potty trained.

**Bible Encounter(1st – 5th graders)**  
*Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building*

**Spark Adventure**

Thursdays @ 5:50 P.M., Ed. Bldg.

**Helpers:**

**August 18th:** Kelly Meeks

**August 25th:** Children will stay to hear James Blay, guest speaker, in the Fellowship Hall





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**Every Sunday**

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

**Every Thursday**

Brown Bag Meal Time 5:15 p.m.  
Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday - 16th**

Senior Adult Luncheon ..... Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m.  
Deacons' Meeting ..... Seekers' Classroom 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday - 18th**

Youth Hang Out Time ..... Gym 5:45 p.m.  
Spark Adventure ..... Education Building 5:50 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

**Sunday - 21st**

Brotherhood Breakfast ..... Fellowship Hall 8:00 a.m.  
Children's Committee Meeting ..... Library 12:00 p.m.  
Children's Choir ..... Education Building 5:00 p.m.  
Youth Choir ..... Choir Room 5:00 p.m.  
Fall Bible Study ..... Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.  
Connecting Faith and Family ..... Fishers' Classroom 5:00 p.m.  
Bible Encounter ..... Education Building 6:00 p.m.  
YSN ..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday - 23rd**

Dayfriends ..... Moe's BBQ 11:45 a.m.

**Wednesday - 24th**

Conversational English ..... Education Building 9:00 a.m.  
Senior Adult Dinner Out ..... Good Ol' Boys 5:00 p.m.

**Thursday - 25th**

Youth Hang Out Time ..... Gym 5:45 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

**Sunday - 28th**

Children's Choir ..... Education Building 5:00 p.m.  
Youth Choir ..... Choir Room 5:00 p.m.  
Fall Bible Study ..... Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.  
Connecting Faith and Family ..... Fishers' Classroom 5:00 p.m.  
Bible Encounter ..... Education Building 6:00 p.m.  
YSN ..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

**Serving the Month of August**

**Greeters:** Brenda Green, Aaron Green, Dick Graves

**Offering:** Adult 4

**Visitors:** Peggy and Lavaughn Johnson

**Loaves & Fishes:** Pilgrims

**Serving August 21st, 2016**

**Counters:** Flarcie Hopkins, Alice Lumpkin, Lavaughn Johnson

**Sound & Light:** Gary Cantini

**Extended Session:** Carole Zugazaga, Tiffany Myrick, Lesley Odom, Addison Meeks

**Serving August 28th, 2016**

**Counters:** Wallace Baldwin, Donna Bennett, Hazel Lee

**Sound & Light:** Lindsay Crosby

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***Listen to the service Sunday mornings  
at 11 am on WAUD 1230 AM***